

REMARKS

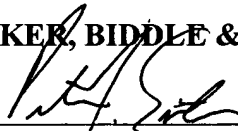
This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in lieu of the Preliminary Amendment previously filed on January 17, 2006. The previously filed Preliminary Amendment amended the claims of the previously filed English-language translation of International Application No. PCT/JP2004/010244. However, the previously filed English-language translation included an inadvertent error, and is replaced by a corrected English-language translation submitted concurrently herewith. The instant Preliminary Amendment amends the claims in the corrected English-language translation. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the claims as amended in this Preliminary Amendment for examination purposes. Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0573. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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